

STATE HIGHLIGHTS

Minnesota

Long-distance trips account for a significant amount of travel and include a large share of American households. This travel has economic, social and environmental consequences.

- During 1995, about 85 percent of the households in Minnesota took one or more long-distance trips to a destination 100 or more miles away. Minnesota households travel more than the national average which is about 80 percent of all households.
- Travelers who live in Minnesota took 26.6 million person-trips, an average of 5.6 trips and 3,989 miles per traveler. Visitors to Minnesota took 24.8 million person-trips, an average of 5.5 trips and 3,429 miles per traveler.
- The number of trips per visitor to Minnesota has decreased 5 percent since 1977, but the number of miles per visitor has remained the same. On average in the United States, the number of trips per traveler has grown 20 percent and the number of miles has increased 39 percent since 1977.
- People who live in Minnesota take 5.2 car trips per traveler compared with 2.2 airplane trips per traveler, however more miles per traveler are by air (4,568 miles) than by car (2,649 miles).
- Travelers from Minnesota who live in households with incomes less than \$25,000 travel less often than travelers in households with incomes greater than \$50,000, about 3.7 trips per traveler compared with 6.0 trips per traveler.
- The most popular destination states for travelers who live in Minnesota are Wisconsin, North Dakota, and Iowa. Wisconsin, Iowa, and North Dakota are the most popular origin states for travelers to Minnesota.

Table 1. Travel Characteristics for Minnesota and the United States: 1977 and 1995

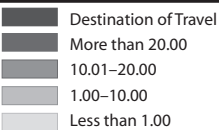
	Minnesota			United States		
	1977	1995	Percent change	1977	1995	Percent change
People who live in area						
Percent traveling households	76	85	12.4	72	80	10.8
Trips per household	6.9	6.8	-1.4	4.1	5.5	34.1
Trips per traveling household	9.0	8.0	-11.1	5.7	6.9	21.1
Trips per capita	4.0	4.8	19.0	2.4	4.0	66.7
Trips per traveler	NA	5.6	NA	4.0	4.8	19.0
Miles per traveler	NA	3,989	NA	2,836	3,943	39.0
Miles per trip	NA	714	NA	709	827	16.6
People who visit area						
Trips per traveler	5.8	5.5	-5.2	4.0	4.8	19.0
Miles per traveler	3,430	3,429	-0.0	2,836	3,943	39.0
Miles per trip	590	622	5.4	709	827	16.6

Note: Data are estimates based on a sample and subject to error; 1995 data are preliminary.

Source: U.S. Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, 1995 American Travel Survey unpublished tables; U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 1977 National Travel Survey, TC77-N-2.



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NOTE: Values are expressed as a percentage of interstate trips.

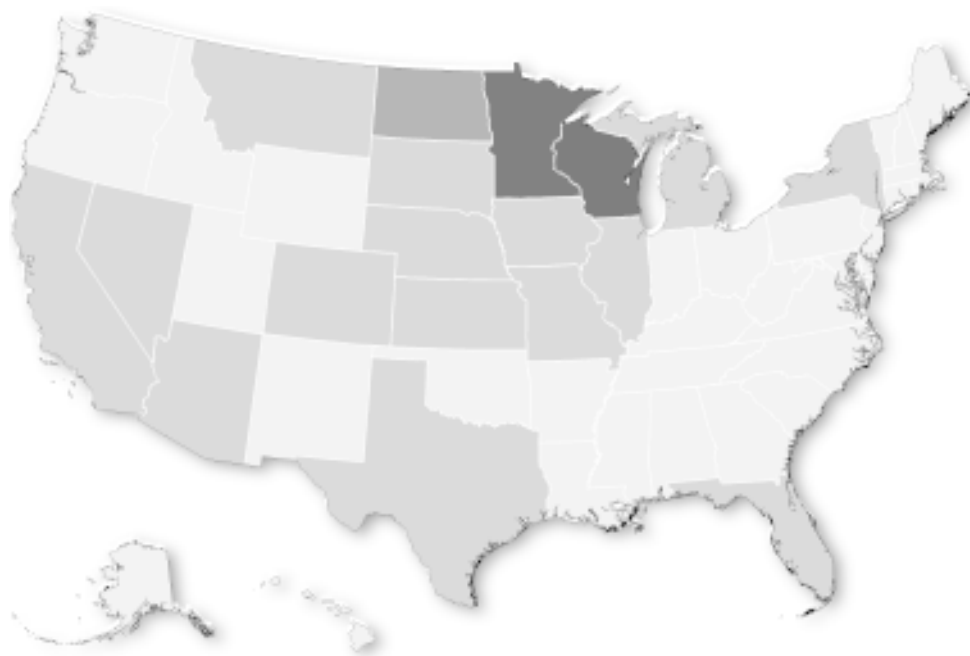
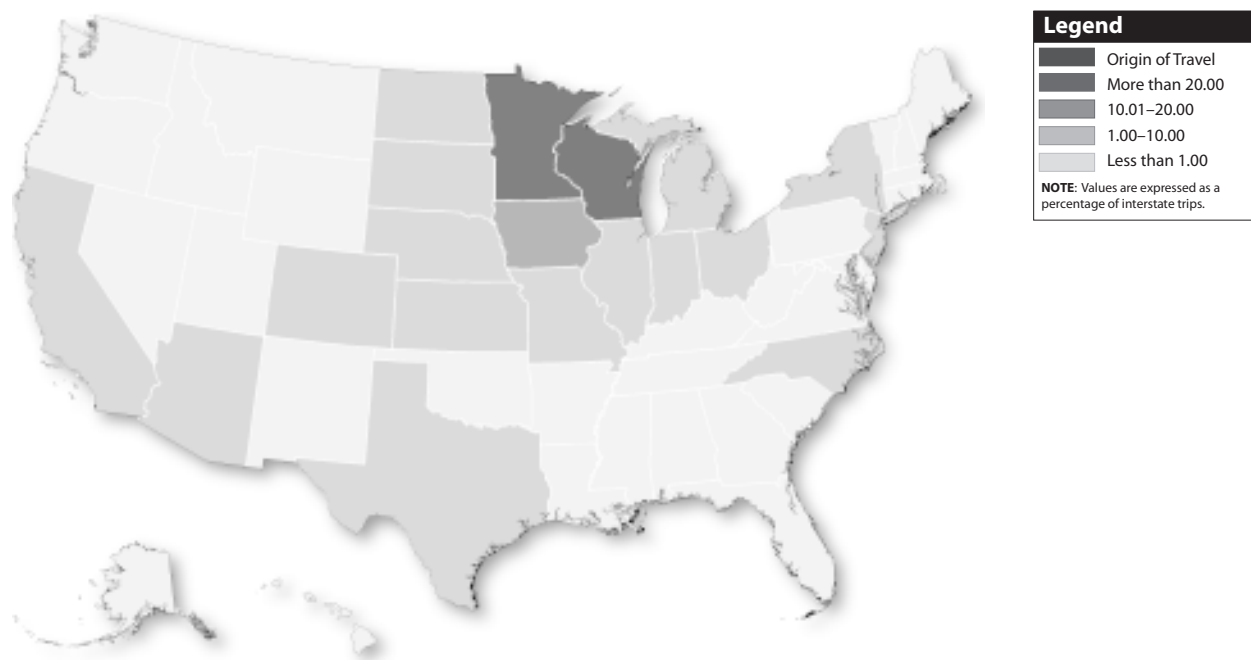


Table 2. Origin States of People Who Visit Minnesota (In thousands)

TRIPS WITHIN MINNESOTA		15,379		
Alabama	18		Montana	56
Alaska	11		Nebraska	296
Arizona	111		Nevada	19
Arkansas	16		New Hampshire	9
California	493		New Jersey	122
Colorado	226		New Mexico	16
Connecticut	42		New York	108
Delaware	10		North Carolina	120
District of Columbia	12		North Dakota	924
Florida	42		Ohio	182
Georgia	28		Oklahoma	62
Hawaii	13		Oregon	42
Idaho	16		Pennsylvania	81
Illinois	870		Rhode Island	9
Indiana	99		South Carolina	30
Iowa	1,016		South Dakota	561
Kansas	107		Tennessee	83
Kentucky	37		Texas	137
Louisiana	25		Utah	24
Maine	5		Vermont	9
Maryland	42		Virginia	56
Massachusetts	63		Washington	76
Michigan	284		West Virginia	1
Mississippi	7		Wisconsin	2,632
Missouri	147		Wyoming	25

Note: Data are estimates based on a sample and subject to error. Symbol — represents zero or rounds to zero.
 Source: U.S. Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, 1995 American Travel Survey unpublished tables.

**Table 3. Destination States of People Who Live in Minnesota (In thousands)**

TRIPS WITHIN MINNESOTA		15,379	
Alabama	34	Montana	107
Alaska	22	Nebraska	169
Arizona	208	Nevada	211
Arkansas	12	New Hampshire	7
California	439	New Jersey	19
Colorado	217	New Mexico	29
Connecticut	22	New York	227
Delaware	—	North Carolina	64
District of Columbia	125	North Dakota	1,227
Florida	420	Ohio	58
Georgia	33	Oklahoma	28
Hawaii	56	Oregon	52
Idaho	13	Pennsylvania	42
Illinois	744	Rhode Island	5
Indiana	103	South Carolina	18
Iowa	809	South Dakota	644
Kansas	104	Tennessee	35
Kentucky	30	Texas	252
Louisiana	54	Utah	12
Maine	4	Vermont	3
Maryland	14	Virginia	47
Massachusetts	50	Washington	92
Michigan	331	West Virginia	—
Mississippi	48	Wisconsin	2,911
Missouri	278	Wyoming	39

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Table 4. Travel Rates by Trip and Traveler Characteristics for Minnesota: 1995

	Person trips [†]	Number of travelers [†]	Trips per traveler	Miles [*]	Miles per traveler	Miles per trip
PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN AREA	26,560	4,743	5.6	18,914	3,989	714
Means of transportation						
Personal use vehicle	22,736	4,350	5.2	11,524	2,649	507
Commercial air	3,243	1,505	2.2	6,874	4,568	2,120
Intercity bus	52	20	2.6	33	1,643	639
Train	101	68	1.5	205	3,027	2,018
Other	427	286	1.5	279	974	653
Main purpose						
Business	5,047	1,221	4.1	4,378	3,585	867
Visit friends or relatives	8,609	2,857	3.0	5,723	2,003	665
Leisure	8,942	2,927	3.1	6,607	2,257	739
Other	3,961	1,613	2.5	2,207	1,368	557
Income						
Less than \$25,000	3,482	948	3.7	2,857	3,013	820
\$25,000 to \$49,999	11,506	1,980	5.8	6,998	3,534	608
\$50,000 or greater	11,571	1,935	5.0	9,059	4,682	783
Age						
Less than 24	6,476	1,538	4.2	3,870	2,517	598
25 to 64	17,823	2,787	6.4	13,066	4,689	733
65 and over	2,261	483	4.7	1,979	4,093	875
Gender						
Male	14,321	2,347	6.1	10,418	4,439	727
Female	12,239	2,399	5.1	8,497	3,542	694
PEOPLE WHO VISIT AREA	24,799	4,509	5.5	15,430	3,429	622
Means of transportation						
Personal use vehicle	22,282	3,598	6.2	10,956	3,045	492
Commercial air	2,081	749	2.8	4,177	5,576	2,007
Intercity bus	25	9	2.7	20	2,201	820
Train	10	4	2.4	11	2,622	1,093
Other	401	148	2.7	266	1,796	662
Main purpose						
Business	4,011	833	4.8	3,052	3,662	761
Visit friends or relatives	8,336	1,758	4.7	5,091	2,896	611
Leisure	8,191	1,931	4.2	4,688	2,428	572
Other	4,260	1,065	4.0	2,599	2,440	610
Income						
Less than \$25,000	2,680	558	4.8	1,568	2,807	585
\$25,000 to \$49,999	11,102	1,808	6.1	5,861	3,242	528
\$50,000 or greater	11,016	1,965	5.6	8,001	4,072	726
Age						
Less than 24	6,525	1,169	5.6	3,364	2,876	515
25 to 64	15,885	2,657	5.0	9,984	3,758	629
65 and over	2,389	480	4.0	2,082	4,339	872
Gender						
Male	13,339	2,211	6.0	8,681	3,926	651
Female	11,460	2,082	5.5	6,749	3,241	589

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